



Virginia CZM Program  
Section 309  
Leveraging Economic Benefits  
of  
Natural Resources Strategy

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# 5 Year Budget Summary

Strategy Title	Year 1 Funding	Year 2 Funding	Year 3 Funding	Year 4 Funding	Year 5 Funding	Total Funding
Leveraging Economic Benefits of Land Conservation	120,000	114,000	114,000	161,500	161,500	671,000
<i>Working waterfronts implementation (Note: this is a 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the CSI strategy described on a separate template)</i>	<i>50,000</i>	<i>47,500</i>	<i>47,500</i>			<i>145,000</i>
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>170,000</b>	<b>161,500</b>	<b>161,500</b>	<b>161,500</b>	<b>161,500</b>	<b>816,000</b>



## Strategy Goal

- Stakeholders at local, state and federal level will work to align priorities in land use and land protection for maximum socio-economic and ecological benefit and create a shared vision for economic growth and conservation.
- Lower Chickahominy watershed will serve as pilot area.
- Additional locations could also be addressed.



## Benefits to Coastal Management

- Improved coordination will help reduce land use conflicts and align goals to balance demand between development needs and natural resource conservation.



# Work Plan

## Year 1-2

- Establish a steering committee of stakeholders and technical experts to guide policy development
- Conduct ecological assessments and update data tools
- Conduct economic analyses of protected lands in target areas of Virginia's CZ
  - Model for economic analyses to come from Eastern Shore study



# Work Plan Year 3-4

- Review/analysis of local plans and policies in lower Chickahominy localities to identify opportunities for new or revised policies.
- Begin development of plan to optimize land uses while protecting significant ecological resources.
- Develop model enabling legislation to promote multiple benefits
- Identify additional study areas



## Work Plan Year 5

- Finalize and present land management and conservation policies that encourage cooperation among localities in the lower Chickahominy watershed and complement state and federal conservation priorities.
  - Model for planning in additional coastal regions.

# Questions-Comments?

